

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An image forming unit for forming an image on a recording medium supplied from a storage tray for storing the recording medium, wherein either a first storage unit or a second storage unit is to be attached to the image forming unit; the first storage unit includes a first storage tray having a first storage capacity, a first guide member guiding the first storage tray and a first storage frame supporting the first guide member; and the second storage unit includes a second storage tray having a second storage capacity larger than the first storage capacity, the second guide member guiding the second storage tray and a second storage frame supporting the second guide member; the image forming unit comprising:

an image forming device that forms an image on the recording medium, ~~the image forming device located at a bottom of the image forming unit;~~

a device frame that supports the image forming device at ~~the~~ a bottom of the image forming unit;

a first attaching portion provided to the device frame to which to attach the first storage frame; and

a second attaching portion provided to the device frame to which to attach the second storage frame;

wherein the first attaching portion is included in the second attaching portion.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The image forming unit according to claim 1, wherein the device frame has a protrusion; and the second storage frame has a hole in which to engage the protrusion.

4. (Original) The image forming unit according to claim 1, further comprising: a cover disposed outside the device frame; wherein a length of the cover in a direction that the cover extends toward the storage unit is substantially equal to that of the device frame.

5. (Original) The image forming unit according to claim 1, further comprising: a paper supply roller that makes contact with the recording medium stored in the storage tray and feeds the recording medium in contact to the image forming device.

6. (Currently Amended) An image forming unit for forming an image on a recording medium supplied from a storage tray for storing the recording medium, wherein either a first storage section or a second storage unit is to be attached to the image forming unit; the first storage section includes a first storage tray having a first storage capacity and a first guide member guiding the first storage tray; and the second storage unit includes a second storage tray having a second storage capacity larger than the first storage capacity, the second guide member guiding the second storage tray and a second storage frame supporting the second guide member; the image forming unit comprising:

an image forming device that forms an image on the recording medium;~~the image forming device located at a bottom of the image forming unit;~~

a device frame that supports the image forming device at ~~the~~ a bottom of the image forming unit;

a first attaching portion provided to the device frame to which to attach the first guide member; and

a second attaching portion provided to the device frame to which to attach a second storage frame;

wherein the first attaching portion is included in the second attaching portion.

7. (Currently Amended) The image forming unit according to claim 6, wherein the device frame has a protrusion; and

the second storage frame has a hole in which to engage the protrusion.

8. (Original) The image forming unit according to claim 6, further comprising:

a cover disposed outside the device frame;

wherein a length of the cover in a direction that the cover extends toward the storage unit or the storage section is substantially equal to that of the device frame.

9. (Original) The image forming unit according to claim 6, further comprising:

a paper supply roller that makes contact with the recording medium stored in the storage tray and feeds the recording medium in contact to the image forming device.

10. (Currently Amended) An image forming unit for forming an image on a recording medium supplied from a storage tray for storing the recording medium, wherein either a first storage section or a second storage section is to be attached to the image forming unit; the first storage section includes a first storage tray having a first storage capacity and a first guide member guiding the first storage tray; and the second storage section includes a

second storage tray having a second storage capacity larger than the first storage capacity and the second guide member guiding the second storage tray: the image forming unit comprising:

an image forming device that forms an image on the recording medium,~~the image forming device located at a bottom of the image forming unit;~~

a device frame that supports the image forming device at ~~the~~ a bottom of the image forming unit;

a first attaching portion provided to the device frame to which to attach the first guide member; and

a second attaching portion provided to the device frame to which to attach the second guide member~~;~~

wherein the first attaching portion is included in the second attaching portion.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) The image forming unit according to claim 10, further comprising:

a cover disposed outside the device frame;

wherein a length of the cover in a direction that the cover extends toward the storage ~~section~~ unit is substantially equal to that of the device frame.

13. (Original) The image forming unit according to claim 10, further comprising:

a paper supply roller that makes contact with the recording medium stored in the storage tray, and feeds the recording medium in contact to the image forming device.

14. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus for forming an image on a recording medium supplied from a storage tray, having either a first storage unit or a second storage unit, the first storage unit including a first storage tray having a first storage capacity, a first guide member guiding the first storage tray and a first storage frame supporting the first guide member, the second storage unit including a second storage tray having a second storage capacity larger than the first storage capacity, ~~the~~ a second guide member guiding the second storage tray and a second storage frame supporting the second guide member, the image forming apparatus comprising:

an image forming unit that includes:

an image forming device that forms an image on the recording medium,~~the image forming device located at a bottom of the image forming unit,~~

a device frame that supports the image forming device at ~~the~~ a bottom of the image forming unit,

a first attaching portion provided to the device frame to which to attach the first storage frame, and

a second attaching portion provided to the device frame to which to attach the second storage frame; and

an attaching member that attaches either the first storage frame or the second storage frame to the device frame at either the first attaching portion or the second attaching portion, wherein the first attaching portion is included in the second attaching portion.

15. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus for forming an image on a recording medium supplied from a storage tray, having either a first storage section or a second storage unit, the first storage section including a first storage tray having a first storage capacity and a first guide member guiding the first storage tray, the second storage unit including a second storage tray having a second storage capacity larger than the first storage capacity, ~~the~~ a second guide member guiding the second storage tray and a second storage frame supporting the second guide member; the image forming apparatus comprising:

an image forming unit that includes:

an image forming device that forms an image on the recording medium, ~~the image forming device located at a bottom of the image forming unit,~~

a device frame that supports the image forming device at the bottom of the image forming unit,

a first attaching portion provided to the device frame to which to attach the first guide member, and

a second attaching portion provided to the device frame to which to attach a second storage frame; and

an attaching member that attaches either the first guide member or the second storage frame to the device frame at either the first attaching portion or the second attaching portion, wherein the first attaching portion is included in the second attaching portion.

16. (Currently Amended) An image forming unit for forming an image on a recording medium supplied from a storage tray, having either a first storage section or a second storage section, the first storage section including a first storage tray having a first storage capacity and a first guide member guiding the first storage tray, the second storage section including a second storage tray having a second storage capacity larger than the first storage capacity and the second guide member guiding the second storage tray, the image forming apparatus comprising:

an image forming unit that includes:

an image forming device that forms an image on the recording medium, ~~the image forming device located at a bottom of the image forming unit,~~

a device frame that supports the image forming device at ~~the~~ a bottom of the image forming unit,

a first attaching portion provided to the device frame to which to attach the first guide member, and

a second attaching portion provided to the device frame to which to attach the second guide member; and

an attaching member that attaches either the first guide member or the second guide member to the device frame at either the first attaching portion or the second attaching portion;

wherein the first attaching portion is included in the second attaching portion.

17-22. (Cancelled)

23. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 1, wherein the device frame is supported by the first storage frame when the first storage unit is attached thereto, and is supported by the second storage frame when the second storage unit is attached thereto.

24. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 1, wherein the first storage unit further comprises a first cover that covers the first storage frame, and

wherein the second storage unit further comprises a second cover that covers the second storage frame.

25. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 1, wherein the image forming device is located at the bottom of the image forming unit.

26. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 6, wherein the device frame is supported by the second storage frame when the second storage unit is attached thereto.

27. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 6, wherein the second storage unit further comprises a second cover that covers the second storage frame.

28. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 6, wherein the image forming device is located at the bottom of the image forming unit.

29. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 10, wherein the image forming device is located at the bottom of the image forming unit.

30. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 14, wherein the device frame is supported by the first storage frame when the first storage unit is attached thereto, and is supported by the second storage frame when the second storage unit is attached thereto.

31. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 14, wherein the first storage unit further comprises a first cover that covers the first storage frame, and wherein the second storage unit further comprises a second cover that covers the second storage frame.

32. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 14, wherein the image forming device is located at the bottom of the image forming unit.

33. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 15, wherein the device frame is supported by the second storage frame when the second storage unit is attached thereto.

34. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 15, wherein the second storage unit further comprises a second cover that covers the second storage frame.

35. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 15, wherein the image forming device is located at the bottom of the image forming unit.

36. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 16, wherein the image forming device is located at the bottom of the image forming unit.

37. (New) An image forming unit for forming an image on a recording medium supplied from a storage unit that stores the recording medium, the image forming unit comprising:

a feed roller that feeds the recording medium from the storage unit;

an image forming device that forms image on the recording medium fed by the feed roller;

a device frame that supports the image forming device;

an discharge tray that is provided above the image forming device and mounts with the recording medium being formed with the image thereon; and

a discharge roller that discharges the recording medium being formed with the image onto the discharge tray,

wherein the feed roller and the discharge roller are disposed at opposite sides with respect to the image forming device,

wherein the device frame is configured to be selectively attached with one of a first storage unit having a slidable first storage tray having a first storage capacity and a second

storage unit having a slidable second storage tray having a second storage capacity that is larger than the first storage capacity, and

wherein the discharge roller discharges the recording medium in a direction substantially parallel to a direction in which the first storage tray and the second storage tray slides.

38. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 37, further comprising:
a first attaching portion that is provided on the device frame for attaching the first storage unit; and

a second attaching portion provided on the device frame for attaching the second storage unit.

39. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 38, wherein the first attaching portion is included in the second attaching portion.

40. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 37, wherein the first storage unit includes a first storage frame, and

wherein the second storage unit includes a second storage frame.

41. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 40, wherein the device frame is supported by the first storage frame when the first storage unit is attached thereto, and is supported by the second storage frame when the second storage unit is attached thereto.

42. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 37, wherein the first storage unit further comprises a first cover that covers the first storage frame, and

wherein the second storage unit further comprises a second cover that covers the second storage frame.

43. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 40, wherein the first storage unit further comprises a first guide member that is supported by the first storage frame and guides the first storage tray, and

wherein the second storage unit further comprises a second guide member that is supported by the second storage frame and guides the second storage tray.

44. (New) The image forming unit according to claim 37, wherein the image forming device is located at a bottom of the image forming unit.